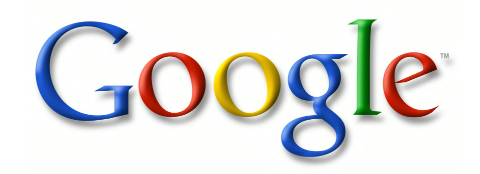
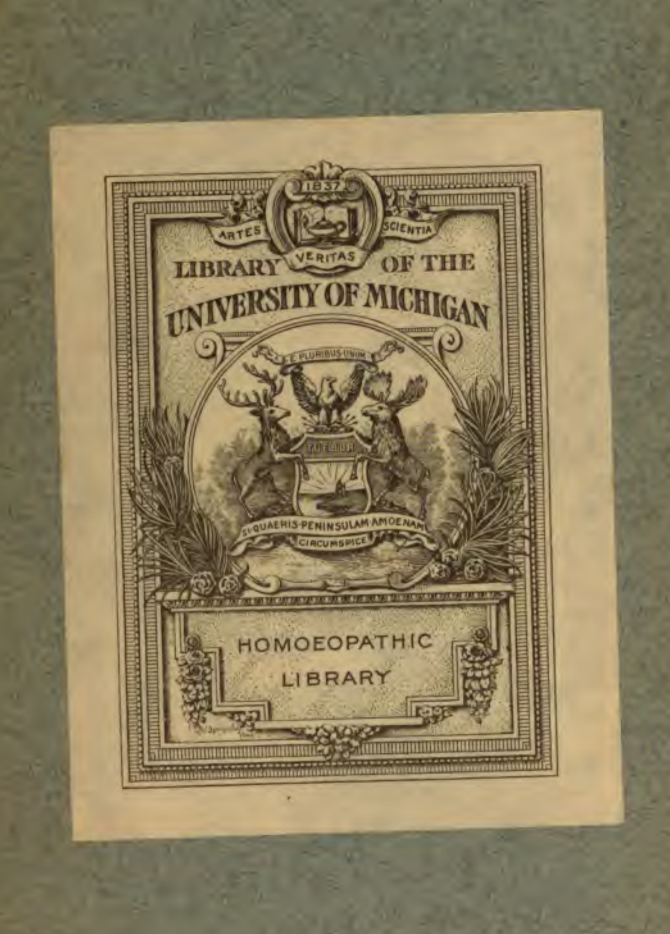




# THE HOMŒOPATHIC TREATMENT OF PROLAPSUS UTERI,

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# PREFACE.

In obedience to the request of many physicians, my paper on "Prolapsus Uteri and its Homœopathic Treatment," read before the Western Academy of Homœopathy, appears in pamphlet form.

The promulgation of the true principles of our school, as taught by Hahnemann, has induced the writer to issue a sketch of treatment for a condition, hitherto considered to be almost unattainable by medicine alone. The prevailing idea has opened the door to all kinds of mongrelism and quackery, and which has resulted in the greatest injury to the female. The mongrel may laugh and even think them not worth a trial; but the true physician will conscientiously try the indications here given, and the effect will be certain success.

With the exception of *Collinsonia*, all the remedies have been given in the 200th potency, (usually Dunham's preparation,) and upwards.

One dose has been given per day, until some improvement became perceptible, when medication was stopped, and the remedy given time to develope its curative action. In the majority of cases, one remedy, when properly selected, finished the cure.

These symptoms have been collected from many sources, but for brevity's sake, the references are not mentioned.

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# THE HOMŒOPATHIC

# TREATMENT OF PROLAPSUS UTERI.

## INTRODUCTION.

Among the many diseases to which woman is subject, I consider Prolapses Uteri, to be one of the most prevailing, hence its large literature. It would be useless to recapitulate its pathology or its etiology, for I could add nothing that would be considered new or original; I shall therefore confine my few remarks to its therapeutics only, hoping that some suggestions may be welcome to one or another.

I know that my views on this subject are not accepted in toto by a majority of medical men, still I have the assurance that they coincide with, at least, those of quite a number of eminent practitioners and specialists.

Prolapsus Uteri is, to my mind, nothing but the symptom of a diseased condition of the whole system, and the few exceptions I must grant, are attributable to traumatic causes. Effects are too frequently taken for causes, or disease itself. It is this diseased condition of the whole system, that weaken and relax the uterine ligaments which in turn causes the diviation of the uterus from its natural position. Bearing in mind this fact, and the office of a Homœopathic physician becomes evident and pointed. If he will diligently search

in his Materia Medica, he will soon become acquainted with the armamentarium to combat the trouble satisfactorily to his patient, as well as to himself.

I have during the last ten years discarded all external medication, as well as other appliances, with a few rare exceptions, to which I will briefly refer. In women who are so situated as to be able to enjoy rest and comfort, I use nothing externally except a hip or spinal bath, warm, cool or cold, according to circumstances; or an abdominal compress, of likewise different temperature, to be worn by night or during the day only. This has been all sufficient to me, and I can speak from a large experience. But, in the cases of working women, I have been obliged to resort to some additional means. After the reduction of the prolapsus, I insert a cotton ball, corresponding in size to the vaginal or pelvic cavity, fastened on a string, to which I add in grave cases, and when the woman is obliged to work hard, the perineal compress fastened by a bandage around the waist and between the limbs. The cotton ball is usually withdrawn for the night and reinserted in the morning. But even such appliances are only required for a short time, for the properly indicated remedy will soon give permission to dispense with them.

That external appliances and medication affect apparent cures, I will not deny, for I remember too well the temporary relief I have often witnessed from the pessary, the uterine supporter, as well as from Glycerine, Hydrastis, Calendula, Arnica, and even the Argentum nitr. But I do assert, from my own experience as well as that of many others, that the disease is thus rarely ever cured; it is merely held in suspense or is suppressed, and in more or less time it will surely return, either in the same or in another form, particularly so, if the prolapsus thus treated be complicated with leucorrhœa, ulceration or induration, and the patient will be worse than at first. The theory of metastasis is to us a living fact, in spite of all the sneers that have been heaped upon it. The cases where surgical appliances are abso-

lutely necessary, are very rare indeed; for a ruptured perineum, etc., is not of every day occurrence. And why should my experience meet opposition even in theory? In the majority of cases we find the prolapsus complicated with congestion, leucorrhœa, ulceration, abrasion or induration, and it is against these associated ailments usually, that external medication is enforced, particularly so, as many authorities wrongfully assert that leucorrhœa, ulceration, etc., are the immediate cause of the prolapsus; an assertion with a very poor foundation indeed; experience has taught me quite the reverse, for I believe that leucorrhœas, ulcerations, etc., are oftener caused by the prolapsus, than is prolapsus by them. But let this be as it may; if we can heal with such entire satisfaction the most vicious diseases of the external skin without the use of topical applications (and the mucous membranes of the throat in diphtheria), it must seem strange to assert that the diseases of the mucous membranes of the uterus, or of the uterus itself, must be treated differently. It would be discarding analogy and logic at the same time.

Treating then a Prolapsus Uteri Homœopathically, we must seek a remedy that covers more or less the whole complex symptoms; it will demand the strictest individualization, and reward our patient in a two-fold manner. It will most certainly benefit her, and do away with the speculum to a great extent. In reference to the speculum, Dr. Skinner says, "it has made more ulcerations than it ever cured; and it has discovered a thousand-fold more than ever existed." Taking the stand-point, I assume, it is common to hear it said, that cases cured by remedies alone were spontaneous cures, and had nothing to do with medical skill, and if I further assert, that our best and promptest successes, have been accomplished with high, and even the highest attenuations, then our opponents see at once nothing but moonshine; may they enjoy it; it shall never debar us from proclaiming the sunshine of truth. Spontaneous cures, or self-limited cases, such as apparently occur before or during menses, after exertion

riding, coughing, coitus, etc., are not so very frequent; my observation has taught me repeatedly, that we, in reality, under such circumstances, deal rather with the aggravation, than with the origin of a prolapsus. And supposing that the circumstances just mentioned, were capable of producing a prolapsus each time they occur, would it not be a formidable proof of the existence of a tendency to such disorder? And where is the remedy to be found to correct such tendency? Will a pessary or uterine supporter, an abdominal supporter or perineal pad prevent it? I say emphatically, no! Or, will you correct it by external medication? I say again, never! You must have resort to internal remedies, and then alone will you succeed, providing you select properly. Individualization is the foundation of our treatment, and to further this end we are compelled to analyze the symptoms in each case before us; and here as elsewhere, experience is our best teacher. After having taken notice of all the symptoms, we naturally turn our attention first to those which affect the uterus and its appendages most directly. My first inquiry is with reference to the menstrual flow, and in a large majority of cases we will meet irregularities of every description; next I examine into the condition of the uterus and ovaries. Generally the symptoms aid us sufficiently for all diagnostical purposes. The character and location of pain, as well as the character of the vaginal or uterine discharges, speak to us in a plainer and more practical language than the speculum. Next to this I seek for symptoms reflex or otherwise, giving to the symptoms of the mind, to a great extent, preference, in cases where the selection of the remedy becomes difficult.

# GENERAL INDICATIONS.

For convenience sake, and for strict analytical purposes, I advise, especially young practitioners, to prepare themselves repertories for all leading disorders; and specialists in particular, will find a systematic drill of our Materia Medica, of the utmost benefit. Thus we see, for instance, at a glance the following indications:

Prolapsus, after cessation of menses: Agaricus muscarius, Kreosotum.

Prolapsus, after parturition: Belladonna, Nux vomica, Podophyllum, Rhus toxicodendron, Secale cornutum.

Prolapsus, after straining or lifting: Aurum, Nux vomica, Podophyllum, Rhus toxicodendron.

Prolapsus, with induration: Aurum, Belladonna, Carbo animalis, Conium, Natrum carbonicum, Sepia.

Prolapsus, with prolapsus of the vagina: Aurum, Mercurius, Nux moschata, Nux vomica, Sepia.

Prolapsus, with prolapsus of the rectum: Podophyllum.

Prolapsus, with pain in the hypogastrium: Aconite, Bryonia, Cimicifuga, Nux vomica, Sepia, Sulphur, Veratrum album.

Prolapsus, with pain in hypogastrium, right side: Æsculus hippocastanum, Apis, Ferrum, Sulphur.

Prolapsus, with pain in hypogastrium, left side: Lachesis, Nux vomica, Stramonium.

Prolapsus, with pain in the ovaries: Platinum.

Prolapsus, with pain in the ovaries, (left): Argentum metallicum, Podophyllum.

Prolapsus, with pain in the ovaries, (right): Lachesis.

Prolapsus, with ulceration of os or cervix: Alumina, Argentum metallicum, Argentum nitricum, Belladonna, Calcarea carbonicum, Carbo animalis, Conium, Helonias, Lachesis, Muriatic acid, Nitric acid, Podophyllum, Sepia, Sulphuric acid.

Prolapsus, with retroversion, more or less: Caulophyllum, Ferrum iodide, Lilium tigrinum.

Prolapsus, with flexion: Helonias, Lilium tigrinum.

Prolapsus, from muscular atony: Aletris farinosa, Cimicifuga, Helonias.

Prolapsus, with bearing down, pressure and pain as if everything would issue from the vulva: Belladonna, Calcarea carbonicum, Conium, Lilium tigrinum, Natrum carbonicum, Natrum muriaticum, Palladium, Platinum, Sepia.

If these pains are worse during walking: Conium.

If these pains are worse while standing: Calcarea carbonicum, Conium, Natrum muriaticum, Sulphur.

If these pains are worse during menses: Platinum.

If these pains are worse before or during the menses: Conium.

If these pains are worse in the morning: Belladonna, Natrum muriaticum.

If the pains are relieved by sitting down: Calcarea carbonicum, Lilium tigrinum, Natrum muriaticum.

If these pains are relieved by standing: Belladonna.

If these pains are relieved by lying down: Lilium tigrinum.

If these pains are relieved by pressure upon the vulva with hand: Lilium tigrinum.

If these pains are relieved by crossing the limbs: Sepia.

I do not pretend to give here a complete repertory, but intend to show merely, how practically it could be executed. In the following pages I give the most characteristic symptoms of the most useful remedies; they are gathered partly from our Materia Medica, and partly from our journals and Homœopathic literature in general. My own experience has corroborated a great many of the symptoms given and I also have taken the liberty to add some symptoms not generally known, but for which the remedies have been sufficiently tried at the bedside.

# SPECIAL INDICATIONS.

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## ACONITE.

This remedy will only serve us in acute cases of prolapsus of sudden occurrence, with or without hæmorrhage; inflammation of the genital organs; heat, dry skin; or anxiety with cold perspiration; nervous excitability with great fear of death.

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## ÆSCULUS HIPPOCASTANUM.

Leucorrhœa, thick, dark and corroding, with constant backache; pain, especially in hip and sacrum, great lameness of the back, worse on walking; occipital pains; light-colored, soft stool; large, protruding, painful hæmorrhoids; pain in the hypogastric region; throbbing in the pelvic cavity and hypogastrium.

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## AGARICUS MUSCARIUS.

Prolapsus after cessation of menses; great weakness and trembling; aversion to work; irresistible drowsiness in the daytime; dark leucorrhœa.

## ALETRIS FARINOSA.

Prolapsus from muscular atony, menses too profuse and too early; habitual tendency to abortion; great debility; indigestion; want of appetite; leucorrhœa.

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## ALOE.

Menses too profuse and too early, or, too early and too long; uterine hæmorrhage about the climaxis, in women of relaxed and phlegmatic habit; hæmorrhoids protrude in bunches, and are relieved by cold water; debility; backache; labor-like pains in groins and loins, worse when standing; labor-like pains extending down the legs; leucorrhœa of bloody mucus, preceded by colic; fullness, heat and heaviness in hypogastrium.

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## ALUMINA.

Menses scanty, pale, painful; with frequent micturition; urine smarting, even corroding. Leucorrhœa corroding, profuse, running down to the heels, often only in daytime, relieved by cold washes. Bland, painless ulcers upon the os, stitches, throbbing, itching in vagina; hysteria; worse every other day, better in open air.

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## AMMONIUM MURIATICUM.

Menses too early and too profuse; with pain in abdomen and back flow worse at night. Too early; black; clotted. Well adapted to fat indolent sluggish women. Leucorrhœa like the white of an egg, or brown, slimy, after making water; continual; painless or preceded by pain around the navel; distension of abdomen without accumulation of wind; cannot walk erect, on account of a pain as from a sprain in

the groins; discharge of blood at stool, during menses; coldness between the shoulders; backache, especially at night.

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## APIS.

Menses too profuse; menorrhagia from congestion of the ovaries; scanty; at intervals of one day; irregular; bloody; mucus; dark, red; dysmenorrhœa from congestion of ovaries: amenorrhœa, pain in the right hypogastric region. Bearing down pain, with tenderness over the uterine region. Leucorrhœa, acrid, profuse, green, yellowish. Urine scanty and dark, it often burns or smarts; exceptionally too profuse. Pain in right ovary, before and during menses. Affections of the ovaries, with stinging pain, worse from coition; œdema of different parts of the body; without thirst. Dropsy; waxy paleness of the skin.

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## ARGENTUM METALLICUM.

Prolapsus, with pain in left ovary and back, extending to the front and downwards. Ulcers of the uterus, discharging purulent, ichorous, sometimes bloody water, with unbearable stench.

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## ARGENTUM NITRICUM.

Menses too profuse, too early, too long; scanty; irregular; clotted. Too profuse, with cutting in small of back and groins. Metorrhagia at climaxis, or in young widows, or in those who have borne no children. Leucorrhœa, bloody, corroding, yellow, profuse, mucus. Ulcers of the uterus, bleeding, the hæmorrhage being of short duration, shooting pains through the abdomen and stomach. In scrawny, feeble,

dried up looking women, backache, especially at night, with great weakness of the legs. She is always hurried, vertigo in the morning with headache. Moral or nervous disturbances appear in regular paroxysms. Distension of abdomen and stomach. Discharge of urine in drops.

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## ARNICA.

Prolapsus caused by a concussion, leaving a sore, bruised feeling in the uterine region, which prevents her from walking erect. Menses too profuse; too often; between the menstrual periods; blood bright red, with mixed clots. In nervous women, and sanguine, plethoric persons, with red face. Ulcers with tendency to bleed. Metorrhagia after coition. Excessive sensitiveness of the mind. Head hot, body cool. Tending to small boils. Putrid eructations. Nausea in the epigastrium. Urine with brick dust sediment.

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## AURUM.

Prolapsus from straining or lifting; especially from reaching high, worse during menses; with induration of the uterus, and bruised, shooting or drawing pains. Menses delayed, especially the first; menses too late and scanty. Amenorrhœa with great melancholy; her mind constantly turns toward suicide; quarrelsome. Leucorrhœa thick and white; leucorrhœa profuse and corroding, yellow. Ischuria and constipation, worse during menses; fine pimples on the face; urine like buttermilk; frequently with painful retention. Hysterical symptoms, cold hands and feet.

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## BELLADONNA.

Prolapsus after parturition especially; prolapsus with induration; prolapsus with bearing down pains, as every thing would issue from

the vulva, relieved by standing, especially felt in the morning. Menses too early and too profuse; blood bright red; menses retarded and too pale; offensive; menses black blood, clotted; hot. Dysmenorrhœa, with rush of blood to the head; especially in women of full habit; with pain in limbs and back; spasmodic contraction of uterus, and terrible bearing down pain, worse in the morning. Amenorrhœa with congestion to the head; discharge of blood between the menstrual periods; fluor albus of white mucus, with or without colic; bearing down pain worse in the morning; transient stitches in the uterine region; the parts are sensitive, can bear neither touch nor the least jar; backache as if the back would break; most of the pains come and go quickly; heat and dryness of the vagina; affections of the right ovary; takes cold easy, especially when uncovering the head; hysterical headache; drawing pains in the pelvic region.

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## BENZOIC ACID.

Prolapsus with fetid urine.

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## CALCAREA CARBONICUM.

Prolapsus with sensation of pressure on the uterus; bearing down, as if prolapsus would occur, and the internal organs would pass out, hence the difficulty in standing. Menses too early, too profuse and too long; the least excitement causes a return; cold, damp feet; rush of blood to the head; swelling and pain of breasts before menses. Membranous dysmenorrhœa. Menses too late, retarded. Suppression of menses in women of full habit; leucophlegmatic temperaments, or with anasarca from working in water. Leucorrhœa like milk with itching and burning; leucorrhœa before menses; leucorrhœa during micturition; leucorrhœa profuse at times; leucorrhœa worse after

exercise; leucorrhœa with great debility; stinging in the os and aching in the vagina; burning in the cervical canal; accumulation of mucus between the labia and thighs. Ulcers; polypus of the uterus; desponding mood; fault-finding; ill humor; hysteria; stupefying or throbbing headache; supra-orbital neuralgia; headache, with empty eructations; icy coldness in and about the head; head and upper part of body sweats profusely at night; trembling pulsation of the heart; sour vomiting; painful urination; backache; bloated abdomen with emaciation and good appetite, adapted during the climaxis; in old maids, or in women who have had no children.

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## CALCAREA PHOSPHORICUM.

Prolapsus worse during stool, micturition or menses. Menses too late; blood dark, or first bright then dark; menses every two weeks, black or clotted. Leucorrhœa after menses, like white of an egg; it increases in the ratio that the menses decrease; pain and pressure in genitals; throbbing, stinging, tickling, sore aching with drawing upwards in the symphisis and downward in the thighs; aching in uterus; every cold causes rheumatic pains; acne, with red pimples full of yellow pus; dirty complexion; mental anxiety; fault-finding; flatulency; hæmorrhoids oozing a watery fluid all the time. Fistula in ano; burning in epigastrium; weak, sinking feeling in the abdomen. (Phosphoricum), useful to young ladies who have been crossed in love.

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## CANTHARIDES.

Menses too early and too profuse; black blood; menses bloody mucus; menses retarded. Membranous dysmenorrhœa. Itching in the vagina; swelling of the cervix; all the ailments are associated

with urinary difficulties; constant desire to urinate, passing only a few drops at a time; burning after micturition; burning in vulva and pudendum; burning in the sides of the head, ascending from the neck, with soreness and giddiness; worse in the morning and afternoon, better when walking or lying down; loss of appetite; aversion to food; thirst, with aversion to all fluids; burning in breasts and in stomach.

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## CARBO ANIMALIS.

Prolapsus and induration. Menses too early, with terrible exhaustion, can hardly speak; menses too profuse, too early and too long; blood black; with lameness in thighs; pressing pain in back and groins; feels chilly; yawning. Fluor albus acrid; offensive, staining the linen yellow; watery; worse on walking or standing, with weak feeling in stomach; scrofulous; malignant ulcers of the os, with foul discharge; tearing transversely across the pubes, and then through the pudendum as far as the anus; alternate cheerfulness and despondency; excessively merry; heaviness in cerebellum; pain in vertex as if the skull were open; bitter taste especially in the morning; eructations tasting of food; distress after a meal; pain in stomach; stitches in groins; in delicate women with glandular affections; copper colored complexion, or many pimples on the face.

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## CHAMOMILLA.

Menses too early, too profuse; blood dark, clotted, sometimes offensive; menses suppressed from checked perspiration or from anger. Profuse discharge of clotted blood, with severe labor-like pains, and tearing in legs; discharge of blood between the menstrual

periods. Membranous dysmenorrhœa. Flour albus, yellow, smarting, sometimes corroding; acrid water from the vagina after a meal; drawing from the small of the back forwards; griping and pinching in uterus, followed by discharge of large clots; burning in vagina as if excoriated; frequent desire to urinate; passing large quantities of pale water. With all her ailments she presents an altered change of mind and disposition; when amiable in health she is now uncivil, snappish, short spoken, irritable, and during the aggravation of pains, she almost becomes furious and wild. Semilateral, tearing headache; usually with one red cheek. The headache is felt even during sleep. Pains are worse at night, and in open air; better after sweating, on rising, and when walking; twitching of the eyes and lids; toothache, worse after warm drinks; drawing pains in small of back; crampy feelings in the calves at night.

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## CHINA.

Prolapsus, likely caused by sexual excesses, loss of blood or other fluids; frequently with ovarian affections. Menses too profuse, too early; black clots, with spasms in chest and abdomen; or watery, pale, with clots; menses profuse with sensation of great distension of abdomen; after menses great weakness, trembling debility, with singing in the ears and fainting. Leucorrhœa before menses; leucorrhœa, instead of menses with itching; menses with spasmodic uterine contractions; menses bloody, with dischage of black coagula or purulent matter, with itching and contractions of the inner parts; discharge of bloody serum alternating with pus; painful induration in the vagina; backache worse from the least motion; sadness; indifference; apathy; slow train of ideas; excessive anguish; full of plans, especially at night; congestive headache; heaviness in head; headache as if the head would burst; periodical neuralgia; worse from

touching the parts; humming in the ears; pale or gray, yellow complexion; bitter taste of everything she takes, or at the back part of the tongue; eructations, especially after a meal; she feels full and tight; flatulency; diarrhœa; scanty urine, after frequent discharges, with brickdust sediment. Cough with granular expectoration during the day or evening; not at night or in the morning; night sweat morning and night; sweat after the least exertion; marked periodicity of symptoms.

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## CIMICIFUGA.

Prolapsus from muscular atony, with pain in the hypogastric region. Menses too early, and too profuse, dark, coagulated; menses scanty; severe pain in abdomen, has to double up; pain between the menstrual periods; menses retarded or suppressed, from different causes. Rheumatic dysmenorrhœa. Leucorrhæa with sensation of weight in uterus; leucorrhœa without ulceration; leucorrhœa in hysterical or rheumatic women; bearing down pains in abdomen and small of back; limbs feel heavy and torpid; pain in the loins and groins, worse from standing, with fullness and heaviness in uterine region; pain in the pelvis; pain in the lower part of the abdomen, worse from motion; pain in the uterus; great tenderness of uterus on pressure; spasms of the broad ligaments. Lumbago; spinal myalgia: great melancholia with sleeplessness; pain over and in the eyes, extending to the occiput; pain in the eyeballs.

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## COLLINSONIA.

Prolapsus with hæmorrhoids; chronic constipation; pruritus; dysmenorrhœa. Amenorrhœa from congestion of uterus. Leucorrhœa. Chronic diarrhœa after parturition.

## CONIUM.

Prolapsus and induration; prolapsus and ulceration. Menses too early and too scanty, or too late and too scanty; with discharge of brownish colored blood; menses too profuse, or suppressed; congestive dysmenorrhœa, with shooting pain in left chest; amenorrhœa, with hysterical symptoms; low spirited; flabby breasts and great exhaustion after the least exercise; crampy pains in the bowels. Leucorrhœa acrid and corroding; leucorrhœa thick, milk-like, with labor-like colic; leucorrhœa bloody mucous; leucorrhœa preceded by colic and lameness in back, and followed by debility; hoarseness, and cough with expectoration; contractive labor-like pains from both sides of the abdomen; bearing down pains as if prolapsus would occur, worse when standing or walking, before or during menses; aching, burning soreness in the hypogastrium; stinging in the neck of the uterus; bearing or pressing down, with drawing in the legs before menses; breasts swell and become painful before menses; induration of the mammæ or other glands; sterility; cough worse when lying down, or at night, especially during pregnancy; vertigo when lying down, and especially when turning over; great depression of spirits; hysteria from suppression or too great indulgence in the sexual instinct; inclination to start; want of memory; excitable; sick feeling in the morning; chilliness in the morning; darting pain through the forehead from within outward; stitching in the small of back, with drawing pains in the lumbar vertebræ, especially when standing; numbness and coldness of the feet; stiffness of the legs.

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## FERRUM.

Menses too late, too profuse and too long; watery or lumpy, preceded by labor-like pains; menses intermittent, two or three days, then returns; menses too profuse, like flooding, in delicate and weakly women, with red face. Amenorrhœa with chlorosis; with congestive

headache; fiery red face; they feel weary and tired all the time, with desire to lie down. Leucorrhœa, bland, milky, or with itching and soreness; leucorrhœa acrid and corroding in the beginning; leucorrhœa with pain in the os uteri when lying down, and dryness of the vagina; prolapsus of vagina; painful coitus; shooting pains in uterus. Anasarca, bellows sound of the heart; hysterical symptoms after menses; stinging headache before menses; ringing in the ears; discharges of long pieces of mucus from the uterus. For women whose faces become bright red easily, during pain or emotional excitement, when otherwise, pale.

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## HELONIAS.

Prolapsus at climaxis, with great debility, and extreme mental depression; prolapsus the os protruding even externally; prolapsus with anteversion, the finger passes with difficulty between the os and rectum; prolapsus, with dragging and weakness in sacrum; prolapsus with ulceration of cervix; discharge constant, dark, offensive; flooding on lifting a weight, and on the least exertion; face sallow, having an expression of suffering; vaginal irritation; backache; ovarian pains; soreness and heaviness in hypogastrium. Menses too profuse and often; in women already feeble from loss of blood; blood coagulated and offensive; menses scanty, with weakness, drowsiness and albuminous urine. Uterine hæmorrhage. Leucorrhœa profuse; leucorrhœa with serum; leucorrhœa with hæmorrhage; leucorrhœa with atony and anæmia; leucorrhœa with stitching, swelling, and inflammation of vulva; pruritus; digestive disorder.

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## IGNATIA.

Menses too early and too profuse; blood black, clotted, putrid; menses scanty, delayed. Amenorrhœa; cramp pains in the uterus,

worse when touching the parts. Labor-like pains, followed by a purulent corroding leucorrhœa; lancinating pain in uterus. Leucorrhœa with excited sexual desire; convulsive yawning; empty feeling at the pit of the stomach; sighing; brooding to herself; seeks to be alone; full of grief; the slightest contradiction irritates her; headache as if a nail were driven from within out, through the sides of the head; nervous headache; aching in forehead and the root of the nose; throbbing headache; hysterical convulsions; want of appetite; aversion to milk, meat or warm food; canine hunger; throbbing in abdomen; moderate pressure to stool, causing prolapsus ani; after stool painful contraction of the anus. Hæmorrhoids prolapse with every stool, and are very painful; stitches from the anus up to the rectum; frequent discharge of watery urine; chlorosis with swelling of feet; cold hands and feet; numbness of feet and legs. Most all her pains are worse in the morning; from coffee, tobacco, noise, reading, sunlight, and better when changing the position, and lying on the painful side; for nervous sanguine temperaments; lovely disposition.

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## IPECAC.

Prolapsus and hæmorrhage at the menstrual period, with constant nausea and fainting. Menses too early and too profuse; blood bright red; menses return every two weeks; great weakness after menses; peevish humor; aching in the head; lancinating in the forehead; pale face; blue rings around the eyes; vomiting of ingesta; distress in the umbilical region.

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## KALI BICHROMICUM.

Prolapsus seemingly from hot weather; menses too early, with vertigo, headache, nausea and feverishness. Membranous dysmenor-

rhœa. Leucorrhœa, yellow, ropy, can be drawn out in strings, stiffening the linen; with pain across the small of back, and dull heavy pain in hypogastrium; obstinate suppression of urine; red urine; swelling of the labia; soreness and rawness in the vagina; accumulation of mucus about the genitals; shooting pain through the abdomen; stitches extending from the abdomen to the spine; ill-humor; low-spirited; indifferent; aversion to all kinds of labor. Morning headache, usually with pain over one eye; sudden attacks of vertigo; sleep unrefreshing, awakes with a start at 2 A. M., with nausea and headache; constipation; pain in the os coccyx. For fat and light haired women in particular.

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## KALI CARBONICUM.

Menses too late and too scanty, and of a pungent odor; menses corroding the thighs; menses too early, too profuse, and too long. Before menses, sexual desire, with the sensation of a thrill as during an embrace, especially on awaking in the morning; sour eructations; shooting or crampy pains in abdomen; swelling of cheeks and gums. During menses, pain in head, ears, teeth, back; heavy aching in small of back and down the buttocks; weakness; griping colic with pressure in abdomen and groins; painful weight in groins; backache when walking; pain in back as from a heavy weight. Nasal catarrh. Pudendum is sore, burns and itches. After menses, soreness in vagina during coition; pimples at the vulva. Amenorrhœa, with anasarca or ascites; heart disease; tendency to consumption. Leucorrhœa acrid; leucorrhœa corroding; leucorrhœa yellow, with backache, labor pains: itching in pudendum; itching pain in and about the uterus; aversion to an embrace, or opposite; shooting pain all over the abdomen; anguish and sadness; vexed and irritable; tendency to start, especially when touched; drowsiness in daytime; nightmare; wakens at

3 A. M.; headache when walking or riding; pressure over the eyes; dullness in head; burning in eyes; painful bloatedness of both groins; cold hands and feet; aggravation at 3 A. M., after coition and menstruation; bloated face in the morning, especially between the eyebrows and upper lids; dryness and itching of the skin.

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## KREOSOTUM.

Prolapsus, especially after menses; prolapsus and induration; the uterus becomes tender and painful after menses. Menses too profuse, too early, and too long; menses intermittent: menses in the third month of pregnancy; menses succeeded by an acrid smelling, bloody ichor, with itching; pain during the flow they increase after it; menses of dark colored coagulated blood, or watery blood with colic; Leucorrhœa, corroding and putrid; staining the linen yellow, and stiffening it, as from starch; leucorrhœa bland or acrid, causing itching; leucorrhœa milky, after coccyodynia; leucorrhœa worse between menses, with great weakness, especially of the legs; leucorrhœa intermittent, worse when standing or walking; leucorrhœa profuse, smelling like green corn, with backache and flushes of heat to the face; leucorrhœa of blood and mucus when rising in the morning; stitches in the vagina from above downward, like electric shocks; swelling, heat, and hardness of the labia. All uterine complaints aggravated after menses; bearing down pain and weight in the pelvis; ulcers of the uterus; painful coitus; ill-humor and low-spirited, worse from music, causing her to weep; weakness of memory; lacerating headache; livid complexion; complaints at the climaxis; humming and buzzing in head, with even hardness of hearing; chilliness; frequent desire to urinate; cancer of the vagina and mammæ; herpes; burning in the pelvis as if from live coals.

## LACHESIS.

Prolapsus during climaxis, with flashes of heat, hot vertex; metrorrhagia and fainting; prolapsus with pain in left hypogastric and ovarian region; menses regular, scanty, and too short; menses delayed or intermittent; menses reappeared during the climaxis; amenorrhœa, with pain in stomach, chest, and eructations at every menstrual time. Leucorrhœa profuse, acrid, smarting, staining the linen green and stiffening it; leucorrhœa with redness and swelling of the external parts; ulcers of the uterus, syphilitic, or with condylomata. The uterine region extremely tender to touch; can't bear her clothes resting upon it; she pulls her dress constantly away; uterine and ovarian pains relieved by a flow of blood; bearing down pains; uterine region feels as if swollen; chronic pains in the right groin while standing, extending to the genitals or to the liver and chest; swelling and induration of right ovarian region, worse from motion or emotion; labor-like pains as if everything would issue from the vulva, followed by a slight discharge of blood; uterine pains running upwards; menstrual colic beginning in left ovary; tendency to fainting, vertigo; epistaxis; bruised pain in the hips; chilliness at night and flashes of heat in daytime; feels unhappy on awaking in the morning; low-spirited; weeping, jealous, proud, suspicious; irritability and peevishness; wants to be alone; headache after a cold, preceding coryza; from the sun; throbbing in the whole head; sensitiveness of left side of the head; throbbing headache, most violent above the eyes; morning headache, relieved by lying down; worse from pressure; yellow complexion, with redness of cheeks; constipation; stool resembles sheep's dung; alternate constipation and diarrhœa; constriction in rectum; stitches in rectum, when sneezing, laughing or coughing; hæmorrhoids protrude after a stool; urine profuse and foaming. All symptoms are worse after sleep, especially from a sleep after dinner; they commence on the left side generally. Lachesis is above all, applicable after Belladonna or Sepia have proven insufficient.

## LILIUM.

Prolapsus with severe bearing down pain as if everything would issue from the vulva; she is obliged to support the vulva with her hands; or to sit or lie down; prolapsus with bearing down pain in left ovary and left mammæ; prolapsus with bearing down pressure as if she would pass a stool. Menses scanty, flowing only as long as she is moving about; menses dark, thick, smelling like the lochia; menses on second day after time to menstruate; cutting in bowels, limbs clammy; menses followed by profuse, bright yellow leucorrhœa, excoriating the external parts, even the perineum; amenorrhœa with ovarian pains. Leucorrhœa profuse and corroding; staining the linen brown; leucorrhœa with bearing down pain, worse in afternoon till midnight; better till the next afternoon, when all the symptoms of the previous day return. Neuralgic pains in the uterus; cannot bear the touch, not even the weight of her clothes or the slightest jar; aching over the pubes with pains in the knees; sexual desire increased; intermittent sharp pains across the lower bowels. Burning from groin to groin, with morning stool. Low spirited; weeping; apprehensive; she feels nervous and irritable, and yet she feels jolly; always in a hurry with inability to perform anything. Urgent desire to stool; frequent desire to micturate, with burning in the urethra; urine bright colored, scanty, hot, red sediment; pain in sacrum; bloated feeling in abdomen and uterus; limbs cold clammy.

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## LYCOPODIUM.

Menses too profuse, too long; blood partly black, clotted and partly bright red or serum, with labor pains, followed by fainting; menses too late and too long; menses too scanty; menses too early; reappearing every six or eight days; menses suppressed from fright. Amenorrhœa; leucorrhœa in starts; leucorrhœa milky; leucorrhœa blood red;

worse before a full moon; leucorrhœa corroding, sensation of pressure through the vagina when stooping; wind discharged from the vagina; dropsy of the uterus; dryness of the vagina; burning in the vagina during coition; cutting across the hypogastrium, right to left; ovaries diseased, right to left; incarcerated flatulence; rumbling in bowels, especially in left hypochondrium; severe backache every time she desires to urinate, ceasing with the flow; red sand in the urine; swelling and sensitiveness at pit of stomach; griping in epigastrium; always wakes up very cross; low spirited; weeping, doubts about her salvation; desires to be alone; headache over the eyes, especially after breakfast; stitches in the temples; constipation; swelling of the soles of feet; pains in the soles of the feet; great weakness; hunger at night when awaking; unrefreshing sleep; worse from 4 to 8 P. M.; shivering; satiety; palpitation of heart; chlorosis.

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## MERCURIUS.

Prolapsus of the uterus and vagina, feels better after coition; menses too profuse, with anxiety and colic; sterility or easy conception; amenorrhœa with congestion to head, and general vascular excitement at every menstrual period; discharge of blood between the menstrual periods; leucorrhœa, corroding, containing lumps; worse at night; leucorrhœa bland; leucorrhœa greenish; leucorrhœa with sweetish odor; leucorrhœa, pimples on the labia; ulcers of the os or cervix uteri, deep, with ragged edges, superficial, syphilitic, with or without condylomata; leucorrhœa with a sensation of coldness; pains deep in the pelvis; soreness, with dragging in loins; pain and pulling downward above the genitals, with pulling pains in both thighs, as if the muscles and tendons were too short; feeling of weakness in the abdomen, as though she had to keep it up or it would drop down when walking; cold, clammy sweat on the legs every night; scorbutic affections appear, or become aggrava-

ted during menses; pain in breasts; swelling of hands and feet; constant anxiety and apprehensiveness; indifference; peevish; suspicious; congestion to head, with feeling as if the head would fly to pieces; headache at night; itching of the genitals, relieved by cold washing frequent; desire to urinate; urine red or brown. All symptoms worse at night from the heat of the bed.

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## NATRUM CHLORICUM.

Great debility, intercapsular and vertebral neuralgia; leucorrhœa.

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## NATRUM MURIATICUM.

Prolapsus with aching in the lumbar region, relieved when lying on the back; also with cutting in the urethra after micturition; prolapsus with swelling and hardness of the cervix; prolapsus with ulceration; prolapsus; bearing and pressing down pains as if prolapsus would occur, every morning, has to sit down to prevent it; prolapsus with bearing down pains, as if everything would issue from the vulva, no matter if she is standing, sitting or lying. Menses too scanty, too late and too short, or too profuse and too early; dryness of the vagina and painful coition; sterility with too early and too profuse menses; uterine cramps, with burning and cutting in the groins. Awakens every morning with a violent headache. Before menses; great anxiety and sadness; qualmishness with sweetish taste rising into the mouth in the morning especially; expectoration of bloody saliva; pain in the head; heavy eyes; palpitation. During menses; extreme sadness; violent headache on awaking; colic. After menses; headache; leucorrhœa; itching of vulva. Amenorrhœa with excessive sadness at each menstrual period; chlorosis; great debility and excessive thirst; sleep disturbed; dreams of robbers; leucorrhœa.

profuse, white, transparent; leucorrhœa, acrid, greenish; when waking in the morning; leucorrhœa in the morning after colic; leucorrhœa causes itching; leucorrhœa with yellow complexion; leucorrhœa lasting only a few hours; leucorrhœa with headache; colic and mucous diarrhœa; leucorrhœa with severe bearing down pains. Pimples on the pudenda, and falling off of the hair. Irritable and cross after coition. Sleepiness in daytime and sleeplessness at night; weak voice and exhaustion from talking. Great appetite; longing for salt or for bitter food or drink. Constipation; fissure of the anus, with flow of blood. Palpitation especially when lying on left side. Pulsation in small of the back. Pain in small of back when rising. Backache relieved by lying on something hard. Languor and heaviness of the arms. Burning of the feet when walking; cold feet. Involuntary urination when coughing or laughing. Especially applicable to those cases that have been subject to topical application of Nitrate of Silver.

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## NITRIC ACID.

Menses too profuse and too early and too scanty. Discharge like muddy water, or dark, thick blood, with eructations and cramp-like pain as if the bowels would burst. Leucorrhœa after menses; greenish watery; flesh colored brown; fetid; ropy; acrid. Ulcers on the os like aphthæ; stitches at vulva and in vagina after coition; menses with condylomata. Hæmorrhage from over-exertion. Bearing down pain as if prolapsus would occur; with backache and pain through the hips and thighs. Stitches in vagina when walking in open air. Itching of vulva. Pruritus, worse from taking cold. Falling off of hair from the genitals. Great sadness; indifference; tired of life: joyless; yellow face, especially around the eyes, with red cheeks. Pimples on face and forehead. Black pores. Bitter taste. Longing for fat, herring, chalk, earth; aversion to bread and meat; constant nausea, with heat in throat. Food causes acidity; pain in the region

of the liver; flatulency; feels so weak that she looses breath and speech; inclination to diarrhœa; cutting pains in the anus after stool, lasting for hours; fissures at the anus; stitching and burning in rectum; urine with strong fetid odor; hard knots in the mammæ; antidote for diseases of mercurial origin; worse in evening and at night; relieved from eructations, from riding in a carriage.

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## NUX MOSCHATA.

Prolapsus of uterus and vagina, with dryness of mouth and tongue, especially when sleeping; hysteria, globus-hystericus, sterility; pain and vomiting caused from pessaries; labor-like pains; enormous distension of the bowels after each meal; flatulent distension of the uterus; menses too late or too early; irregular, with dark, thick flow; pain in the back, pressing from within outward, as if a piece of wood was lying crosswise; waterbrash; pulling in the limbs; pain in the liver; drowsiness; stitches in lower abdomen, worse when sitting; suppression of menses from exposure to wet, with pain in abdomen; leucorrhœa instead of menses; fainting with palpitation, followed by sleep; changeable disposition; absent mindedness; great tendency to laugh, worse in open air; heaviness in head; sudden heaviness from walking against the wind; cough when getting warm in bed; enlargement of liver and spleen; worse from cold weather, wet or windy weather, when riding in a carriage; better from warmth; from warm weather; adapted to women with dry skin, who do not prespire easily.

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## NUX VOMICA.

Prolapsus after miscarriage; prolapsus after parturition; prolapsus after straining or lifting; prolapsus from reaching high; prolapsus of long standing, with dry cough and sense of constriction around the

hypochondria; prolapsus of the uterus and vagina; prolapsus with pains in hypogastrium; prolapsus with great urging to stool; ulceration of the os, with condylomata; bearing down pains, with congestion to the uterus; pains early in the morning, when in bed or during a walk; with sensation of contraction in the bowels; pains toward the sacrum, with ineffectual urging to stool; periodical pains in the bowels, setting in after a meal; crampy, stitching pains in pelvis; soreness across the pubes; uterine spasms, with colic and discharge of coagula; burning, heaviness, stitching in uterus; hardness and swelling of the os; constipation of large, difficult stools; indigestion from high living; micturition frequent, little at a time, with burning; sleeplessness after 3 A. M.; feels unrefreshed in the morning; backache, can't turn over in bed; drawing in the thighs; menorrhagia at climaxis. Menses too profuse, too early and too long; menses too early, too scanty and too short; colic; discharge of dark, thick, clotted blood; menses reappear after having seemed to cease; menses irregular; restlessness; excitability; cross; stitches and jerking through the body; weakness; headache in occiput; headache in forehead, as if the eyes were forced out; headache in vertex as if a nail were driven into it; leucorrhœa fetid, staining the linen yellow; varices on the labia; swelling within the vagina; itching eruption on vulva.

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## OPIUM.

Prolapsus from fright; menses too profuse, with violent colic, has to bend over, and urging to stool. Amenorrhœa from fright, with great drowsiness; softness of the uterus; chronic constipation with hard black balls; eclampsia.

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## PETROLEUM.

Prolapsus in patients reduced by chronic diarrhœa, occurring during the day only; great debility; menses too profuse and too early;

menses too late and too scanty ; menses with intense itching. Before menses, throbbing in head. During menses, singing and roaring in ears; weakness; heat in palm of hand and soles of feet; tearing in the thighs, and spots on legs painful to touch. Leucorrhœa like albumen, profuse, every day, with lascivious dreams at night; irritable disposition, inclination to scold; low-spirited; weeping; pulsation in the cerebellum; diarrhœa only through the day, none at night; soreness and moisture on the genitals; involuntary micturition at night; fetid sweat in the axillæ; herpes on perineum; hæmorrhoids.

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## PHOSPHORUS.

Prolapsus with a weak, sinking feeling in the abdomen. (Calcarea phosphoricum).

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## PLATINA.

Prolapsus with ovarian irritation; ulceration; bearing down pain as if prolapsus would occur, especially during menses; pain, sensitiveness and continual pressure in the region of *mons veneris* and the genital organs; the body except the face feels cold; induration of the uterus; ovarian irritation with stitches in forehead; frequent sensation as if the menses would appear; menses too profuse, too early, too long, or too short; blood dark, partly clotted, partly fluid; thick like tar, in case the menses appear too late, but is at the same time too profuse; low-spirited; colic; twitchings with screams; haughty disposition; pulling pain in groins; backache; desire for stool. Amenorrhœa; sudden suppression of menses, with extreme anguish and fear of dying. Leucorrhœa like the white of an egg, only in daytime; after urination or after rising from a seat, with pressing down in the groins, or in the pudendum. Pruritus with anxiety and palpitation; excessive pride; fear of death, with trembling of all the limbs;

absent-minded; hysteria; headache; headache as if a tape were drawn around the head; terrible pressing in forehead; twitching of eyelids; burning heat in face with great thirst, especially towards evening; sensation of coldness and creeping of the whole right side of face; face pale; want of appetite; constipation while traveling; red urine with white clouds; backache; weakness of nape of neck; increased sexual desire; vulva sensitive during coition; most ailments worse during rest, better during motion.

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## PODOPHYLLUM.

Prolapsus, the uterus disposed to fall very low, even painfully so. Prolapsus from overlifting or straining; prolapsus after parturition; prolapsus also of the rectum; prolapsus with lumbar backache after washing; prolapsus with pain in left ovarian region; heat running down the left thigh; prolapsus with ulcers upon the os and hypertrophy of the uterus: bearing down as if the genitals would come out during stool. Amenorrhœa in young women, with bearing down in the hypogastric and sacral regions, with pain from motion, better when lying down. Leucorrhœa of thick, transparent mucus; rumbling and pain in transverse colon; pain and soreness in the liver, relieved by rubbing the parts; pains in right ovary; constipation; great pain in the sacrum.

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## PULSATILLA.

Menses too late, too scanty, too short; menses intermittent; blood thick, black, clotted or thin, watery or changeable; worse during the day while walking; menses suppressed after getting the feet wet; menses from chlorosis; menses from nervous debility, with throbbing headache; pressure in stomach; pain in uterus; dysuria;

ophthalmia; morning nausea; metrorrhagia at climaxis; menses after the abuse of Quinine and Iron; bearing down pain and pressure in abdomen and back as from a stone; limbs tired, go to sleep; ineffectual urging to stool; drawing and pressing toward the uterus every morning; cutting pain in uterus, which is sensitive to touch, and during coition; chilliness and paleness of the face; exceedingly bad taste in the mouth every morning, and dry tongue without thirst; nothing tastes good; indigestion; disposition mild, bashful, yielding; inclination to weep; low-spirited; gloomy; silent; great anguish; fear of death; vertigo; confusion in head; lacerating pain in one side of the head, ears and teeth; headache as if from overloading the stomach, or eating fat food. All symptoms worse in the evening, while lying on the left or painful side, or in a warm room; better in open air or while walking gently about. For women good natured, phlegmatic, blonde hair.

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## RHUS TOXICODENDRON.

Prolapsus after parturition; prolapsus from straining or lifting; prolapsus in rheumatic persons whose pains compel her to shift about in order to get relief; she feels worse in damp weather or before a storm; menses too profuse, too early, too long; acrid, causing biting in vulva; light colored, or with coagula and labor pains. Amenorrhœa from getting wet; amenorrhœa with milk in the breasts; labor-like pains and pressure in abdomen, while standing; soreness in vagina, hindering an embrace; low-spirited; tired of life; fear of death; ill-humor; absent-minded; weeping, especially in the evening; desire to be left alone; walking, first with difficulty, but as she proceeds, she walks better and better; she feels worse after a long walk; backache relieved by lying upon something hard; bruised pain in small of back; pain in ankles; uterine complaints resulting from exposure to cold, damp weather, from getting wet, particularly while perspiring.

## SECALE CORNUTUM.

Prolapsus after parturition. Menses too profuse and too long, with tearing, cutting colic, cold extremities, cold sweat, great weakness and small pulse; or with violent spasms; blood thin and black, or black and clotted, or brown, fetid fluid; hæmorrhages, worse from the slightest motion; atonic hæmorrhages during climaxis; ulcers on the os or cervix; thin, bloody, gangrenous or painless; it feels as though it had been burnt; indolent ulcers, discolored and rapidly spreading; bearing down pains. For thin and scrawny women.

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## SEPIA.

Prolapsus of uterus and vagina; prolapsus with constipation; prolapsus with induration; prolapsus with pain in the hypogastric region. Menses too early and too profuse; menses too late and too scanty. Amenorrhœa; metrorrhagia at climaxis, or during pregnancy; leucorrhœa of yellow or greenish water; leucorrhœa like pus; leucorrhœa with bad odor and much itching in vulva; ulcers, superficial on the os; bearing down pain as if prolapsus would occur, she must lie down and cross her limbs to prevent it; with oppression of breathing; stitches mostly in the neck of the uterus, extending to the umbilicus and pit of stomach; tenderness of the genitals to touch; coition painful; pot-belliedness; yellow saddle across the bridge of the nose; sensation of weight in anus, not relieved by stool; emptiness at pit of stomach; sediment of urine adhering to the vessel, and difficult to remove.

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## SILICEA.

Prolapsus with myelitis or spinal irritation; menses too early and too scanty; menses too profuse and too late; menses irregular, every two or three months; acrid, fetid; menses between the regular

periods; metrorrhagia; offensive foot sweat; icy cold body; painful hæmorrhoids; leucorrhœa profuse, corroding; leucorrhœa milky, preceded by cutting around the navel; ulcers at the os or cervix, with sensation of coldness in them; increased sexual desire, with spinal affections; spinal irritation; nausea during coition; bearing and pressing down in the vagina; itching at pudendum; constipation.

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## STANNUM.

Prolapsus uteri, with bearing down in the uterine region; prolapsus of vagina, worse during stool; feels so weak she must drop down suddenly, but can get up readily; menses too early and too profuse, preceded by melancholy and pain in the malar bones which continue during menses. Leucorrhœa with great debility; leucorrhœa of yellow, white, or transparent mucus; neuralgic pains; pain begins lightly and increases gradually to its highest point, from which it gradually declines; great weakness of larynx and chest; they give out when talking, singing or reading, all of which will cause great exhaustion and she has to avoid them.

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## SULPHUR.

Prolapsus from reaching high; prolapsus with pain in the hypogastrium, in the right side especially. Menses too late, or too short; menses suppressed; blood thick, dark, corroding, sour. Before menses, headache; cough in evening; epistaxis. During menses, leucorrhœa, preceded by pain in abdomen; weak feeling in the hypogastrium and genital organs; burning in the vagina; she can scarcely keep still, especially when sitting; walks stooped from debility; heavy, dead sleep, which exhausts her, or light sleep; awakens fre-